

...there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved [ACTS 4:7-12]



WELCOME


Sinners are welcome at our church. We are a local body of the Lord Jesus Christ. As you spend time with us, you'll soon discover we're an *imperfect* church, with an *imperfect* pastor, yet by God's underserved grace, we preach, believe, and know the *perfect* gospel of our never failing Lord Jesus Christ. Reader, we call His name JESUS for HE SHALL (not might, not maybe) rather HE SHALL save His people from their sins. And beloved believing sinner you already know it — you are *complete in Him*, saved to the uttermost.

“*Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners*” **JOSEPH D MURPHY**, PASTOR
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Sunday, 10 AM 1 TIMOTHY ENGLISH	Sunday, 11 AM PSALMS ENGLISH	Domingo, 6 PM ROMANOS ESPAÑOL	Wednesday, 7 PM ROMANS ENGLISH
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SERVICE TIMES		AUDIO PODCASTS	
ENGLISH Bible Classes Sun, 10 AM Worship Service Sun, 11 AM Bible Study Wed, 7 PM		AVAILABLE ON ITUNES AND GOOGLE PLAY Purposed Grace Sermons Purposed Grace Articles DISPONIBLE EN ITUNES Y GOOGLE PLAY Propósito y Gracia, Sermones Propósito y Gracia, Artículos	
ESPAÑOL Servicio de Adoración Dom, 6 PM			

NURSERY AVAILABLE FOR 4 YEARS OLD AND YOUNGER / GUARDERÍA DISPONIBLE

RECENT PODCASTS	DIRECTIONS
RECENT SERMONS God Will Save His People (PSALM 69:1-36) The blessing of the gospel (ROM 15:22-29) The God of Salvation (PSALM 68)	We are situated 1 mile south of the Denny's Restaurant located right by the corner of US Highway 59 and State Highway 242. <i>Show up early and have a cup of coffee with us! 9:30 & 10:30 AM</i> 
SERMONES RECIENTES Cristo vino para salvar... (1 TIM 1:15) Nacimiento Nuevo (JUAN 3:7) ...la voluntad de Dios (MATEO 8:2-3)	



WHAT KIND OF CHURCH IS THIS?

"FOR ALL THE PROMISES OF GOD IN HIM ARE YEA,
AND IN HIM AMEN, UNTO THE GLORY OF GOD BY US"

(2 CORINTHIANS 1:20)

"What kind of church is this?" During a recent Bible conference this question was asked by a visitor who had dropped in for the service. I had just finished preaching a message on the subject "In Search of Truth" and the visitor turned to one of the members and asked, "What kind of church is this?"

How refreshing! In this day (when practically every form of religion is so pigeon holed and typed that it appeals to some segment of our natural society) to preach the gospel of the mystery of Christ in such Bible terms that a natural man is shut up to divine revelation and is unable to identify us with some particular brand of religion! It was said of Spurgeon that no organization could really brand him and say he belongs to us! The hyper-calvinists called him an arminian, the arminians called him a hyper-calvinist, the legalists called him an antinomian, and the antinomians called him a legalist. The established churches hated him and the Baptists finally disowned him, but true believers of every persuasion loved him and understood his message.

The natural man understands logical Calvinism. He can easily identify with the cooperative redemption presented in arminianism. He has no difficulty with modern fundamentalism! But the free gospel of the grace of God through the merits and death of the Lord Jesus Christ must be revealed to the heart by the Spirit of God. Barnard used to say, "Preachers are wrapping salvation up in a neat little package and selling it to unsuspecting men and women. Preachers are trying to present the great mysteries of redemption in language which the natural man can understand and approve of, so that he can make his peace with God and go on about his regular routine and fleshly pursuits."

Blessed is the preacher who can shut men up to free and sovereign grace, and yet lovingly, sincerely invite all men to look to Christ and be saved. Blessed is the preacher who knows that "salvation is of the Lord," who has the patience to wait upon the Lord to regenerate, awaken and call his hearers, yet he prays for their deliverance, urges them to close with Christ, and beseeches them to "be reconciled to God." Blessed is the preacher who can preach with equal force



and confidence both the preservation and perseverance of believers. He will not “turn away from us and we will not depart from Him.” Blessed is the preacher who can rejoice in imputed righteousness, “with His holy garments on, I am as spotless as His dear Son;” and yet along with his congregation hunger and thirst for spiritual growth and personal godliness. Blessed is the preacher who can find and preach both justification and sanctification at Calvary. We do not go to Calvary for justification and then to Sinai for sanctification. We are “complete in Him.” Blessed is the preacher who can preach prophetic truth in such a way that his hearers are looking for the returning Christ and not only the return of Christ! Blessed is the preacher who administers believers’ baptism, presides at the Lord’s table, and oversees the business of the Lord’s church, not according to the “way we do it in our circles and according to our custom and tradition,” but according to the Word of God! It may be, if preachers and people return to the Scriptures, someone will ask, “What kind of church is [Sovereign Grace Church]?” And we can answer, “It is the church of the Lord Jesus Christ which He loved and purchased with His own blood and of which He is the sole Head.” [AMEN!] — **HENRY MAHAN**

GLAD TIDINGS OF GOOD THINGS!

“HO, EVERY ONE THAT THIRSTETH, COME YE TO THE WATERS, AND HE THAT HATH NO MONEY;
COME YE, BUY, AND EAT; YEA, COME, BUY WINE AND MILK WITHOUT MONEY AND WITHOUT PRICE.”

(ISAIAH 55:1)

We often know the theory of the gospel before we know the experience of the gospel. We often receive the doctrines of grace into our judgement before we receive the grace of the doctrines into our soul. We therefore need to be brought down, humbled, exercised, stripped of every prop, that the gospel may be to us — more than a sound, more than a name, more than a theory, more than a doctrine, more than a system, more than a creed — that is, it may be soul sensation, soul enjoyment, soul blessing, and soul salvation. When the Lord the Spirit preaches the gospel, “*without money and without price*,” to the poor in spirit, the humbled, stripped, and exercised — it is a gospel of glad tidings indeed [of good things!] to the sinner’s broken heart (Isaiah 55:1, Romans 10:15). — **JOSEPH CHARLES PHILPOT**



BREAD OR POISON?

“YE OFFER POLLUTED BREAD UPON MINE ALTAR; AND YE SAY, WHEREIN HAVE WE POLLUTED THEE? IN THAT YE SAY, THE TABLE OF THE LORD IS CONTEMPTIBLE”

(MALACHI 1:7)

The next time you are baking a fresh loaf of homemade bread, mix in rat poison. Do you think you could obtain life by eating it? Why not? there will be good bread in each bite. The problem is that the whole loaf is contaminated by the poison. We would not even call such mixture bread, we would call it poison.

There is no doubt that the Pharisees used the good food of the scriptures. The Judaizers in Galatia even used that good name of Christ Jesus the Bread. They added many good ingredients of true doctrine. Yet, insisting there is something the sinner can do to make himself more holy than Christ does, they denied that God put away the sin of his people according to his holy justice; that he by himself justified each child whom he saves in the person of his Son; they sprinkled in the poison of man's free will contaminating the whole. The apostle Paul called it, *“another gospel.”* The Lord called it, *“the leaven of the Pharisees.”* Believers call it poison.

According to His word, a sinner can as soon expect life from eating rat poison as from eating such polluted bread. The Lord Jesus Christ saves in power, in righteousness and in truth or He does not save at all. — **CLAY CURTIS**

CALENDAR 2019 / 2020

UP COMING EVENTS

Fellowship Luncheon **Canceled**
Lincoln Wood Conference **Oct 4, 5, 6**
Clay Curtis — 7:30 PM on Friday,
refreshments after the service
And 6:30 on Saturday

Grace Conference **Feb 21, 22, 23**
Donnie Bell, Don Fortner

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

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Useless Kinds of Religion, J.C. Ryle
Spiritual Autobiography, Joseph Hart
Prodigal Blessing Joseph Hart, J.A. Kingham

“Prove all things...” / “Examinadlo todo...”

librero.iglesiadegracia.us

Artículos de Gracia 2018, Joseph D Murphy
Las ovejas oyen la Voz, Cody Groover
Inmundo o Santo, Joseph D Murphy

If the Lord puts it on your heart, visit us and *“Come and see”* / Si el Señor quiere, *“Ven y ve”*